## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **WORK ON PIT RIVER BRIDGE EXPANSION JOINTS**

REDDING – Caltrans will begin a project to replace five expansion joints on the Pit River Bridge on I-5 north of Redding beginning on January 3, 2011. The \$900,000 project has been awarded to Shasta Constructors of Redding.

The project is anticipated to complete by January 21, 2011, and will require moving all traffic to one side of the bridge. The first phase will be completed on the northbound lanes with all traffic shifted to the southbound lanes. Caltrans will send a media alert prior to the first traffic shift.

The second half of the project will shift southbound traffic to the northbound side. During the work period, the speed limit will be reduced to 45 mph as traffic nears the construction area and further reduced to 25 mph through the actual construction zone. Traffic will be controlled by pilot car escorting vehicles across the bridge. A big rig tow truck will also be on permanent standby.

Motorists are reminded to "Slow for the Cone Zone" and drive with caution. The California Highway Patrol will be present during construction.

For more information please contact the Public Information Office at 530-225-3260.

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